

2005 – 2006 Funded Grants

Building More Bridges Through Caring Peer Mentors	Eaton Middle School Principal's Advisory Counsel	\$1,949.00	\$1,949.00	PAC members will be paired with reading buddies from Cooper Elementary and will get together with their buddies on a monthly basis to read with them. The younger students will receive books that they can keep and are getting practice reading with older students. This is also a way to build bridges and make the elementary students' transition to middle school easier. All of the books will be about cultural diversity and acceptance of others. PAC will have a celebration at the end.
Through the Lens of Diversity	Alternatives, Inc.	\$1,889.00	\$1,889.00	This project will develop a youth-led photography project featuring pictures of youth friendships that celebrate diversity. Each photograph will include a story told by one or both of the youth featured in the photo including information about where they met, how they began to talk about their differences, etc. This will be a traveling exhibit and will appear throughout the city.
Life Skills Training Conference	Alternatives, Heart 2 Hands	\$1,356.00	\$1,356.00	Heart2Hands will host a life skills training conference for all of the middle schools programs. It is a nationally recognized program that helps prepare middle school students to act as leaders, by developing their ability to set goals and make strong, well thought out decisions. It will be taught through interactive workshops and co-led by youth and adults. After the conference, participants will conduct youth-led presentations in their schools.

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Gurlz Wurld	Hampton Fire and Rescue	\$650.00	\$650.00	This is a program geared at increasing self esteem in girls ages 13 – 17. It will be a 2-day program for up to 25 girls. Participants will receive career education, self-esteems sessions, financial classes, and team building.
Youth Empowerment Resource Fair	Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Peninsula	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	This is an event that will provide the youth of Hampton with resources in finding information on employment, internships, and summer activities. The fair will host a number of representatives from youth-friendly businesses and organization that provide educational, civic, social, and recreational activities, employment and internships. This will be open to the public.
Hampton Unites Day	Hampton Citizens' Unity Commissioin	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	This is a project designed to provide an opportunity for several thousand of Hampton's youth and adults to simultaneously make a public commitment to demonstrating respect for all cultures, races and religions. Everyone will recite the Hampton pledge together and then receive a "Hampton Unites" wristband as a visible sign of their personal and communal commitment to demonstrate respect. This will hopefully be the beginning of a process that will extend far beyond one day.
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Step Show	Southern Christian Leadership Conference	\$2,500.00	\$1,900.00	This event will feature creative activities in precision drill techniques know as "step" and provide a positive wholesome atmosphere for our youth to showcase their talents to an enthusiastic and plausible audience.
L.I.O.N.S. Mentoring Group	Lindsay Middle School	\$2,427.00	\$2,427.00	Students will participate in a mentoring program which links students with caring, responsible mentors. The goals are to provide positive role models to students, to assist students in developing an appreciatio9n for their community, to assist the students with improving their academic performance and to decrease "at-risk" behaviors. Students will acquire life skills through participation in various projects with their mentors. There will be guest speakers, service projects and an end of year activity.

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**** 8 Grants were funded for a total of \$15,171

****Ladies Expo by Parks and Recreation will also be completed this year (this grant was funded last year, but did not complete and HYC voted to extend their timeline to this year.